

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE 2002 DIVERSITY IMMIGRANT VISA LOTTERY (DV-2002)

**DV-2002 INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE AT CONSULAR AFFAIRS WEBSITE
at <http://travel.state.gov>**

The Immigration Act of 1990 provides for an annual "Diversity Immigration Program" making available each year by random selection 55,000 permanent residence visas in the United States. This information concerns the application period during 2000 for visas to be issued during fiscal year (FY) 2002 (01 OCT 2001 to 30 SEP 2002).

Visas are apportioned among six geographic regions based on immigration rates over the last five years, with a greater number of visas going to regions with lower rates of immigration. AFRICA includes all countries on the African continent and adjacent islands; ASIA extends from Israel to the Northern Pacific islands, including Indonesia; EUROPE extends from Greenland to Russia, including all countries of the former Soviet Union; NORTH AMERICA is Canada and The Bahamas; OCEANIA includes Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea and all countries and islands of the South Pacific; and SOUTH AMERICA*, CENTRAL AMERICA, MEXICO, CARIBBEAN includes all the countries of those areas.

*** Argentina is included as well**

A greater number of visas will go to those regions that have low immigration rates. Certain countries that have high rates of immigration, "High Admission" countries, as determined under the law, are excluded entirely from the program. You may apply if you are a native of any country or area except those defined as "High Admission" countries. For 2000 "High Admission" countries are: Canada, China Mainland and Macau, Colombia, The Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Haiti, India, Jamaica, Mexico, Pakistan, The Philippines, South Korea, United Kingdom and dependent areas (except Northern Ireland) and Vietnam. (Natives of Hong Kong SAR, Taiwan and Northern Ireland are eligible to apply).

The application period will begin **at noon 02 OCTOBER 2000 and will end at noon 01 NOVEMBER 2000.**

Applications received at the post office box before or after the application period or delivered to any other address will not be processed for registration.

You must mail your application to the address for the region of which you are a native, as shown below:

SOUTH AMERICA (including ARGENTINA) / CENTRAL AMERICA / CARIBBEAN : except Colombia, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Haiti, Jamaica and Mexico.

**DV-2002 PROGRAM
KENTUCKY CONSULAR CENTER
LEXINGTON, KY 41904
U.S.A.**

AFRICA : DV-2002 PROGRAM, KENTUCKY CONSULAR CENTER, LEXINGTON, KY 41901, U.S.A

ASIA : (except China mainland and Macau, India, Pakistan, Philippines, South Korea and Vietnam) :
DV-2002 PROGRAM, KENTUCKY CONSULAR CENTER, LEXINGTON, KY 41902, U.S.A.

EUROPE : (except United Kingdom and dependent territories but Northern Ireland is included):
DV-2002 PROGRAM, KENTUCKY CONSULAR CENTER, LEXINGTON, KY 41903, U.S.A.

OCEANIA : DV-2002 PROGRAM, KENTUCKY CONSULAR CENTER, LEXINGTON, KY 41905, U.S.A

NORTH AMERICA : The Bahamas is the only eligible country (Canada is excluded).
DV-2002 PROGRAM, KENTUCKY CONSULAR CENTER, LEXINGTON, KY 41906, U.S.A.

ONLY ONE application may be submitted by or for each applicant during the registration period. **Submission of more than one application will disqualify the person from registration.** You can apply either under your country of birth or under the country of birth of your spouse. Spouses may file their own separate applications.

In order to facilitate the automated processing of the mail, the envelope's size must be between 6 inches and 10 inches (15 cm to 25 cm) in length and between 3 1/2 inches and 4 1/2 inches (9cm to 11 cm) in width. In the upper left hand corner of the front of the envelope, type or clearly print in the English alphabet the name of the country under which you participate for this program, then your full name and return address. Failure to comply with these instructions will disqualify your entry. Applications must be sent by regular mail or air mail only, to the proper DV-2002 address accordingly to geographic region of origin. Applications sent by any other means, such as registered mail, hand-delivered applications, telegrams, by courier etc., will not be accepted. Applications may be mailed from within the United States or from abroad.

Applications for registration will be selected at random from among all of those received during the specified period. Successful applicants will be notified by mail between April and July 31, 2001. Persons not selected will not be notified.
U.S. EMBASSIES OR CONSULATES WILL NOT HAVE A LIST OF WINNERS.

Applicants for DV-2002 status must have at least a high school education or its equivalent or, within the past five years, have two years of work experience in an occupation requiring at least two years training or experience (according to U.S. Department of Labor definitions). High school education is defined as successful completion of twelve years of education comparable to a high school degree in the United States. A husband and wife may each submit a separate application for registration. The spouse and child(ren) of an applicant who is registered for DV-2002 status are automatically entitled to the same status. The spouse or children are entitled to foreign state chargeability and do not need to be born in one of the countries eligible for the lottery. To benefit from derivative status, a child must be under 21 years of age and unmarried at the time of visa issuance. Do not list parents as they are not entitled to derivative status.

All visas for the FY 2002 DV program must be issued before October 1, 2002.

There is no application form per se, but applications must be typed or printed legibly in the English alphabet on a sheet of paper, contain the following information **and must be signed at the bottom**. Please submit a **recent photograph of yourself**, 1 ½ inches by 1 ½ inches (4 cm x 4 cm) with the applicant's name printed across the back of the photograph. Only the principal applicant, not the spouse and children needs to submit a photograph and signature.

- 1) The applicant's full name (**Last name should be underlined**);
- 2) The applicant's date and place of birth;
- 3) **The name, date and place of birth of spouse and any unmarried, minor children under age 21 must be listed.**
- 4) The applicant's current mailing address and telephone number if available;
- 5) The name of the country under which you participate for this program if different from your country of birth; and
- 6) A recent 4 by 4 cm. photograph of the principal applicant only with the applicant's name printed across the back of the photograph. The photograph should be taped to the application with clear tape, not attached by staples or clips which can jam the mail processing equipment.
- 7) Please make sure to include spouse and any minor, unmarried children under age 21 in your application (please include your spouse's children) or you will be disqualified. Any entry that is not personally signed by the applicant will be disqualified

NAME OF PRINCIPAL APPLICANT: (Please sign at the bottom) Please underline your family name:

NAME:	_____	_____	_____
	FAMILY NAME (Underline)	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE NAME
DATE OF BIRTH:	_____	_____	_____
	Day	Month (use letters)	Year
PLACE OF BIRTH:	_____	_____	_____
	City	Province	Country
NAME OF SPOUSE:	_____	_____	_____
	Family name	First name	Middle name
DATE OF BIRTH:	_____	_____	_____
	Day	Month (use letters)	Year
PLACE OF BIRTH:	_____	_____	_____
	City	Province	Country

CHILDREN NAMES (Unmarried son or daughter under 21)

NAME	DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH

COMPLETE ADDRESS: (including zip code and telephone number)

_____	US Mail Postage

SAMPLE ENVELOPE (6" to 10" in length and 3 1/2 " to 4 1/2 " in width)

ARGENTINA (Name of the country under which you participate)

Juan Doe
Street and number
5500 MENDOZA, ARGENTINA

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LEXINGTON, KY 41904 (Proper code according to region)
U. S. A.

THERE IS NO FEE TO ENTER THE DV-2002 SELECTION. THE USE OF AN OUTSIDE INTERMEDIARY OR ASSISTANCE TO PREPARE A DV-2002 ENTRY IS ENTIRELY AT THE APPLICANT'S DISCRETION. NO ONE CAN GUARANTEE SUCCESSFUL REGISTRATION FOR THE PROGRAM OR THE ISSUANCE OF A VISA. AS THE LOTTERY IS BASED ON RANDOM SELECTION FROM ONE APPLICATION PER PERSON, THERE IS NO WAY THAT ANYONE CAN INFLUENCE THE SELECTION OR IMPROVE THE ODDS OF WINNING. INDIVIDUALS WHO THINK THEY HAVE BEEN CHEATED BY A U.S. COMPANY OR CONSULTANT MAY WISH TO CONTACT THE CONSUMER RESPONSE CENTER, FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION, 600 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, N. W. WASHINGTON, D.C. 20580, INTERNET ADDRESS: <http://www.ftc.gov>
Tel. 1-877-FTC-HELP 382-4357 OR (202) 326-2502.

THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO ADVANTAGE TO MAILING EARLY, OR MAILING FROM ANY PARTICULAR LOCALE.

WINNERS WILL BE NOTIFIED FROM THE NATIONAL VISA CENTER BETWEEN APRIL AND JULY 2001 ALONG WITH INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO APPLY FOR AN IMMIGRANT VISA, INCLUDING A REQUIREMENT FOR A SPECIAL DV CASE PROCESSING FEE OF \$75. APPLICANTS MUST MEET ALL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS UNDER U.S. IMMIGRATION LAW TO BE ISSUED A VISA.